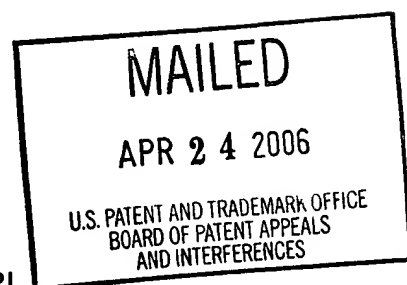


The opinion in support of the decision being entered today was not written for publication and is not binding precedent of the Board.

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Application 09/483,167

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (BPAI) on April 4, 2006. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below.

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Appellants filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) on October 25, 2004. There is no indication on the record the IDS was considered by the examiner and the related Form 1449 needs to be signed. A written communication notifying appellants of the examiner's consideration is required.

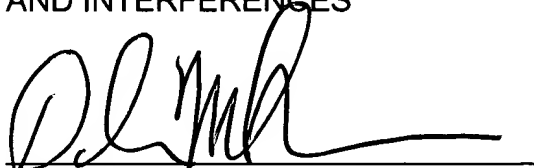
Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner for:

- (1) consideration and proper written response to the IDS filed October 25, 2004;
- (2) the examiner's signature on the accompanying Form 1449 is required; and
- (3) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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